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THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY, [5

BIRTH.
On the 15th instant, at No. 18, Elgin Street, the wife of E. E. ELIAS, of a son. [195]

DEATH.
At Cheloo, North China, on the 21st Nov., MARY ANN, aged 29 years, the beloved wife of D. McCALLUM, Engineer, C.M.S.N. Co.

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, MONDAY, DECEMBER 16, 1889.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s extra steamer *Therian* left Bombay for this port on the 14th inst., at 2 p.m.

The agents (Messrs. Gibb, Livingston & Co.) inform us that the "Ben" Line steamer *Benalder* left Singapore for this port to-day.

The returns of the number of visitors to the City Hall Museum for the week ending Dec. 15th, are:—Europeans 245, Chinese 2,160, total, 2,405.

FOR the present cold weather, a fine selection of Saxony Tweeds, suitable for Ulsters, Overcoats and Suits, is now being shown by The Hall & Holtz C. Co., Limited.—*Adv.*

A REGULAR meeting of Perseverance Lodge, No. 1165, will be held in Freemasons' Hall, Zealand Street, this evening, at 8.30 for 9 o'clock precisely. Visiting brethren are cordially invited.

A PROGRAMME almost entirely changed is promised at the Circus to-night, the chief item of which will be the "Liverpool Steeplechase." The public are invited to see some of the best and worst riding in the Far East, everybody, from Schaddell to Shorty, from Lee to Love, having entered. Gentlemen riders are invited to participate, bringing their own griffins.

We have to acknowledge receipt of a new guide book to Bangkok and Siam, published at the office of the *Bangkok Times*. This little brochure contains a mass of interesting information regarding a city about which very little is known in this part of the world. The descriptions are well written, and the value of the book is enhanced by photographs of the King of Siam and the Crown Prince, and views of the most prominent portions of the city.

The Singapore "shootists" who took part in the recent inter-port rifle match are anxious to have another trial of skill with the Hongkong men, and have accordingly issued a challenge under the following conditions:—

1.—Range, number of shots, etc. same as Inter-Colonial Match, except that one sighting shot be allowed at each distance.

2.—Match to be fired before 1st Jan. 1890.

3.—Teams to be the same as fired in last match, any alteration to be satisfactorily explained.

4.—The losing team to pay for the Cups to be presented to Shanghai for winning the Inter-Colonial Match, instead of the two teams dividing the expenses.

No doubt our local marksmen will try to regain their lost laurels.

A REGULAR meeting of Victoria Lodge, No. 1026, will be held in Freemasons' Hall, Zealand Street, on Saturday, the 21st instant, at 8.30 for 9 p.m. precisely. Visiting brethren are cordially invited.

This Band of the A. & S. Highlanders will play at the Officers' Mess, Murray Barracks, to-morrow evening, commencing at 8 o'clock. The following will be the programme:—

Overture, "Tutu".....Mozart.
Valse, "The Grenadier".....Waldteufel.
Selection, "Ballet Music from Faust".....Gounod.
Andante from *Requiem*.....Mendelssohn.
Selection, "Papa".....Lacocq.

THE two or three performances given each month by the Military Mimmers are beginning to interest quite a large section of the public, and some more than those last week.

On Saturday a considerable number of civilians witnessed the representation of *Borrowed Plumes* and the repetition of *Uncle*, and meritedly were entertained. The cast is becoming too numerous to particularise, and we can only assure the Theatricals that they are improving wonderfully at each performance. The stage-mounting was elaborate and appropriate, the wardrobe evidently has been generously replenished, and the make-up of every artiste was irreproachable.

SUPREME COURT.

IN SUMMARY JURISDICTION.

(Before Mr. A. G. WILKES, Acting Puisne Judge.)

THE BRANDT-RAMJAM CASE.

The hearing of this case, adjourned from Thursday, was resumed to-day. Mr. Hastings appeared for the plaintiff, and Mr. Caldwell for the defendant. Mr. Dennis was present on behalf of Ho Tim.

The cross-examination of the defendant was resumed. He said:—I admit that the plaintiff made the contract with Ho Tim and myself. I did not make any agreement with Ho Tim to settle them. I swear it.

Mr. Hastings:—Did you write this letter on the 11th Sept?—"Dear Ho Tim—In consideration of your paying me, in cash, within this current week, or, in case of need, Monday next, the amount of \$4,000.75 cents, in which sum you are indebted to me, and signing a promissory note for \$1,000, payable in four years, I am willing to cancel all our future transactions in China Sugars up to December next, consisting of your sundry purchases from me."—Is that your letter?

Brandt admitted that it was his letter, but denied that the transactions on which Ramjam claimed brokerage were included. One was with "the other," and the other with Ho Tim. Mr. Hastings was simply fishing for evidence as far as Ho Tim was concerned. He wanted to see the papers, as he had to be very careful.

Mr. Hastings:—Yes, you need to be very careful—a good deal more careful than you have been.

Brandt continued:—I did not know that Ho Tim was the principal in the contract which Ramjam signed "for the concerned." I wish to correct that answer—I was told so, some time before the settlement, but I did not find out.

Mr. Hastings:—You refer in this letter to "future" transactions, what were they?—They were different contracts between us.

Can you give us particulars?—I can tell you something about.

Where is your memo. book—I gave you notice to produce it—I haven't got it.

Then you must send for it.—I haven't got it now.

His lordship:—Why, have you destroyed it?—Yes. I tore it up since the last time, as all my transactions in it were finished.

Mr. Hastings:—Then you really only made it for the purpose of proving this case?—I did not. The transactions in it only went to the end of October, as you well know.

Have you received any money from Ho Tim under this agreement?—I have not. In the first place that is not an agreement—you call it one, I don't.

I don't want to squabble about words.—I don't, but it is a very important point.

Have you received any money under this agreement?—I cannot answer, because it is not an agreement.

Have you received any money in respect of these shares from Ho Tim?—Be careful, now; take time to answer.—What shares do you refer to?

To those mentioned in the letter.—Let me read the letter (a pause) I have not received any money in respect to the pending share transactions.

His lordship:—Are these the shares you mean, those mentioned in the letter?

Brandt:—I have received no money in respect to them.

Mr. Hastings:—Have you received any money from Ho Tim under this agreement?—I have told you already that is no agreement. I intend that it is not.

What is it then?—It is an offer.

Was it refused?—It was not.

Was it refused?—Yes.

Why?—He did not comply with the terms of the letter. He refused verbally, on several occasions.

Has he paid you anything in respect to the \$4,000.75 cents referred to in the letter?—He has paid some money which he owed from August. He has paid \$200.

Has he paid any other person on your behalf?—No, I don't know.

Will you swear that he has not paid \$200 to Ramjam, on your request, on the 8th October?—It would be a very bold thing to say.

You won't say he has not?—He may have done so.

Has he ever informed you that he did so?—No. Did not you give him the order to do so (produced)? Do you mean to swear that you don't know that he has done so?—I still say so. An order on a man is not a proof of payment. It would be a very good thing if it was.

Mr. Hastings then handed him the order, which he had been vainly asking for for some time, and after examining it he said:—This is not same as it was when I signed it, my lord.

His lordship:—What is the difference?

Brandt:—There is something added.—And give him \$1,800 on account of our balance in promissory notes, as agreed.

Tim's own request, in his office, because he wanted it. I simply said in a general way "to the end of the year." I was not quite aware how many there were.

But you said just now he did not agree to the proposal?—He told me he had not enough money—he was perfectly empty of cash, and the only way to get out of the difficulty was to ask his friends to help him, and unless we came to a proposal they would have said "God knows how much more there may be." I sat down and wrote it, with no accounts before me, and he said "All right, I can show this to my friends, and they will see there is nothing in the background." I did not say he did not agree to the terms—I said the offer was not accepted. He could not get the money.

He would not, or could not?—He told me he was very sorry, but he could not get the money in time.

But he has paid to you, or on your account, \$4,250, and offered you promissory notes for \$1,800. He has not paid it. I do not know that he has paid the \$2,000—I have had no acknowledgment from Ramjam that he has received it.

(I show you a receipt can you believe it?)—No, I want better proof than that.

Here is a receipt for \$1,000, and a promissory note for \$1,000.—That is not the same thing. Isn't that according to your order?—No, I said \$1,000 cash, and \$1,000 one month from date.

Well, do you admit that he has received nothing?—I don't. I don't deny it, but I don't admit it.

Well, do you admit that you have received, yourself and on your order, \$3,250 in respect to the matters mentioned in the letter?—I don't admit anything of the kind.

You are suing Ho Tim in this Court on these Sugar contracts, are you not?—Am I obliged to answer that question?

His lordship:—It may help the matter.

Brandt:—Yes, I am suing him.

Mr. Hastings:—Are you suing him for the full amount?—No.

Will you undertake to swear that Ramjam never told you that the principal in the 100 sugar shares contract was Ho Tim?—Yes.

That he did not tell you before the 11th September?—He decidedly did not. He said it was some other person, not Ho Tim. He said it was a sort of syndicate.

His lordship:—You are not contending that the terms of the letter have been ever carried out, Mr. Hastings?

Mr. Hastings:—No, I say everything has been paid up, either in cash or promissory notes. If anything has been paid I submit that it will be sufficient to prove brokerage.

His lordship:—It will prove a settlement.

Mr. Hastings:—You say you have destroyed your memo-book since the last hearing?—Yes.

Have you any other books in which you enter your share transactions?—No.

Have you got a yellow book?—I don't think I have.

Have you no books at all now?—No.

You carry all your numerous share transactions in your head?—Yes.

That concluded the cross-examination.

Mr. Hastings asked permission to call rebutting evidence as several points had arisen of which he had had no notice.

Mr. Stokes, sharebroker, was then called, and stated that the rate at which Sugar shares were quoted on the 10th July was \$284, falling to \$270 on the 30th. At that time the shares were in rather a peculiar position in the market, and it was impossible to give any but cash quotations.

By Mr. Caldwell:—It would not have been extraordinary if the rates for three months future sales were \$295.

Brandt then recalled. He said:—I wrote to Brandt on the 19th November, asking him to pay me the \$475 and \$50 brokerage, as I was pressed for money, and was going to be sued. He came to my office with the letter in his hand, and said he would pay me at the end of the month, but that he did not want me to press him then, as he had no money. I had told him before he wrote that letter to Ho Tim, that the latter was the principal in the contract which I had signed "for the concerned." I see that he had at the end of the order given to Ho Tim. It is my writing, but made at his request, in the presence of both of them. Brandt had not signed then. He altered the date after that.

By Mr. Caldwell:—I forgot when I got the \$1,000 some time in October.

Ho Tim, broker, having been sworn on the 4th Ezekiel, said:—I bought 200 Sugar shares from the defendant, 100 for October and 100 for November. I signed for one 100, and the plaintiff, my broker, signed for the other 100. I made a settlement with Brandt on the 11th September, in Ramjam's office. All the contract notes were before me. I had to pay \$400, 75 etc. and give two notes, due one in two years, and one in four years for \$800. I sent the notes on the 8th October, and he returned them next day.

By Mr. Caldwell:—I owed Brandt \$4,000 on share transactions on the 11th September. That was on our transactions, in Sugars in August and September. He wanted me to pay him in a week, and I agreed, but when I paid him \$1,000 he agreed to extend the time. I had a diamond ring on my finger at the time, and he said "You had better give me this for the delay; I will give it to my wife, and he took it from my finger (laughter). It was arranged that I should pay Ramjam instead of him. I have the letter which he wrote rejecting my promissory notes. I don't know where it is.

Mr. Dennis produced it with some reluctance. Witness identified the letter, which was as follows:—"I have just received your letter dated 8th October, and I am glad to see by it that you have paid to Ramjam \$1,000 on my account. I shall give you credit for it as soon as Ramjam confirms payment. I am also glad to understand that you intend to pay me \$400, 75 etc. for the delay. I have also acknowledged receipt of the promissory notes for \$1,000, due one year, and \$800, due two years, which, however, I beg to return, as I decline to accept them under the conditions mentioned in your letter. I am not aware that I have cancelled any of our contracts in shares, nor do I agree to withdraw my suit against you unless you offer substantial consideration."

Re-examined by Mr. Hastings:—I have paid Brandt \$2,250 out of the \$4,075 I owed him, and \$250 more than my indebtedness, counting the promissory notes.

That closed the plaintiff's case.

Mr. Caldwell, for the defence, submitted with regard to the claim for repayment that the plaintiff was bound to prove that he had overpaid the amount—\$475—whereas Fukeera's evidence showed that he knew of his (Fukeera's) payment before he himself settled. With respect to the claim for brokerage, there could be no brokerage where there was no fulfilment of contract. There could have been no settlement between Ho Tim and Brandt because the promissory notes were not accepted. He relied on the written agreement given by the plaintiff not to charge brokerage unless the contract was put through.

Mr. Hastings made a lengthy and very creditable reply, in the course of which he commented upon the defendant's conduct in destroying his memo-book.

His lordship:—I have no hesitation in saying that he did very wrong in destroying it.

Mr. Hastings:—It has not been explained in any way.

His lordship, in giving judgment, said:—This is a claim for \$775, made up of two sums—\$475 and \$300 respectively. As they are somewhat different in their circumstances I think we must take them separately. With regard to the first, it is a claim for a sum overpaid with reference to a settlement on 25 shares. The evidence has been very voluminous, but I don't think it necessary to go through it, as I am of opinion that the whole matters turn on the question—Did or did not the defendant sell to the plaintiff 25 Sugar shares somewhere about the end of July? Plaintiff, of course, denies it, and if his version is true he is entitled to recover something from the defendant. If the defendant's story is true he is not. As in many other cases regarding shares, the evidence is simply that of the plaintiff and the defendant, but on the plaintiff's part a witness is produced who repeats a certain conversation, which the defendant said something about repaying \$400 about the end of the month. This, if unexplained and uncontradicted, might corroborate the plaintiff's statement. Defendant gave a plausible explanation as to this, and I may say that he was not contradicted in any way. Therefore I think his evidence is entitled to some weight. With reference to the plaintiff's story, one feature strikes me as very curious indeed. If he never bought these 25 shares from the defendant at the end of July it is clear that he knew, if not before the 6th September, at any rate before he came to the market, that he was not getting it out, yet he went and settled for them—he does not plead that it was done by fraud, and I can only say that it was done in a generous spirit. Looking at his education and bringing up, and the employment he has been in later on, I cannot be justified in thinking him an absolute fool in this thing, but I should be doing him an injustice if I said that he had not forfeited the claim to be considered a sensible man. Therefore I think he is not entitled to judgment on the first part. With reference to the \$300, the defence has set up an agreement or arrangement between the parties, in which the plaintiff engages not to charge brokerage on shares bought or sold for the defendant "until the respective contracts have been duly carried out." The defendant construes that to mean that the shares must be actually tendered and accepted. I don't think that is the meaning of it at all; it seems to me if the seller and purchaser came to any arrangement then and there the plaintiff is entitled to his brokerage. If there is any dispute that is a matter between them. They might go on shilly-shallying and fighting between themselves, and the broker would never get his brokerage. A further defence set up was the letter of the 11th September, in which defendant speaks of future transactions in China Sugars. He says he did not include the 100 shares claimed for here, as they were signed "for the concerned," and he did not know that Ho Tim was the buyer. I am of opinion that he did know, and I give judgment on this for the plaintiff, with costs.

THE LOSS OF THE "NYLGHAU."

At the resumed sitting this morning of the Marine Court of Inquiry into the loss of the British ship *Nylghau*, which was adjourned from Saturday, the boatswain and a sailor of the wreck were examined, and the Court, after a little over half an hour's deliberation, gave the following—

FINDING:—We find the British ship *Nylghau*, official No. 8657, of Yarmouth, N.S., of which Watson Baker, Master, was in command, was wrecked on the 19th of November 1889, bound for Hongkong with a crew of nineteen all told and with a full cargo of timber.

That having worked up the Luzon course until the 24th Nov. at Lat. 17, 43 N. and Long. 119, 58 E. having got the N. E. Monsoon, the ship headed across the China Sea for Hongkong, but that on the evening of the 25th at about 8.30 p.m. she struck on the Pratas Shoal and was there abandoned.

It appears from the evidence of the master, who is the only competent witness before the Court on the subject, that at noon on the 25th November the ship was in a position in Lat. 20 min. 16 sec. N. and Long. 118 min. 0 sec. E. That at 4 p.m. on that day she was further allowed to have gone 18 miles N.W. In his position the master, seeing that the wind was falling and the ship "making off," determined to pass to the Southward of the Pratas Shoal and with that intention set the course due West.

The assumed position at 4 p.m. was 49 miles E. S. 1/4 S. from the eastern extreme of the Pratas Shoal, and seeing that the ship struck somewhere on the eastern edge of the shoal at about 8.30 p.m., this would make the distance, 49 miles, run in rather more than four hours, which seeing the state of the wind and weather, the Court considers is extremely improbable; and they are inclined to the belief that either the master's observations traced the ship too far to the S. E., or that the ship experienced a W. N. W. set which the Admiralty Chart 1661 states was experienced by H.M.S. *Albatross* in July 1885, (the period of the N. E. Monsoon).

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from Australia. The various British trade unions subscribed only £1000. There is a surplus of £5000, in the disposal of which the committee will be guided by the general opinion of the subscribers. The sum of £1000 has been voted to the miners now on strike in Australia.

November 18th.
The United States steamship *Pensacola*, with a scientific expedition, has arrived.
The strike of the bakers fixed for to-day was small; only 450 men went out, the demands of the others having been granted.

Ex-Mayor Ward of Sheffield dropped dead while hastening to catch a train. Ward was the largest edge-tool maker in the world.

PARIS, November 18th.
M. Havas, head of the well-known Paris news agency, is dead.

VIENNA, November 18th.
The strike of the men in the mother-of-pearl trade became general to-day, upwards of 300 men having joined the movement. In a good many cases, however, the men were driven to join the strikers, as some masters voluntarily closed their workshops, even when they were willing to go on working at the old rates. As a matter of fact, the strike is welcome to the masters, as it affords them the desired opportunity of restricting production, thereby compelling American importers to pay the high rate, which they refused to do. The strike is likely to have this effect, as Vienna is the chief manufacturing centre for this article.

ST. PETERSBURG, November 18th.
Sixteen students of the Military Academy of Medicine have been expelled for attending the funeral services of Tschernichowski, the nihilist, died who recently.

For some days past the authorities have been investigating what they believe to be a plot against the Czar. The result is that several persons who are supposed to be connected with the plot have been expelled from the capital.

LONDON, November 19th.
The *Daily Telegraph* says: The revolution in Brazil indicates what may fairly be called the final disappearance of monarchy from the New World. It may be said that Canada is still subject to Queen Victoria, but as a matter of fact, it is an all but independent republic, under the British Crown. Thus the institution of hereditary kingship, which has played so great a part in the history of the world and which is still such a grave factor in European politics, is uprooted beyond the Atlantic, and with Dom Pedro of Brazil the last of American sovereigns retires from the scene.

Sir Henry James continued his speech on behalf of the *Times* before the Parnell Commission to-day. He declared that a large amount of the vast sums which reached the leaders of the Irish national movement was not accounted for, and this gave a scope for evil-doing. The league money, Sir Henry said, had been used to defend prisoners other than those charged with Agrarian crimes.

While on his way to court this morning Justice Day of the Parnell commission was knocked down by a cab and slightly injured. He was unable to sit during the session.

Sir Edward Guinness has placed in the hands of Lord Rowton, Mr. Ritchie, president of the local Government Board, and Mr. Plunkett, First Commissioner of Works, the sum of £250,000 to be held by them in trust for the erection of dwellings for the laboring poor. Of this amount £200,000 is to be expended in London and £50,000 in Dublin. The income to be derived from the rents of the houses is to be re-invested, with a view of the further development of the scheme.

In a communication he has made to the trustees, Sir Edward has informed them that he has long felt the gravity of the evils which follow from the insanitary nature of the houses inhabited by large numbers of the laboring poor, and that the object he has in view is to provide clean and healthy homes for people somewhat poorer than those who at present call themselves of the existing artisans' dwellings, and to show that this can be done on a sound financial basis.

PARIS, November 19th.
Emile Ollivier in his new book contends that the best form of government is a monarchy. He predicts that a Caesar will yet arise in America unless she "mitigates her omnivorous democracy," and that still more surely will one arise in France if the state is delivered over to the "cynical voracity of politicians."

LISBON, November 19th.
Major Serpa Pinto, while surveying in the Nyassa district, was attacked by the Makololo. After a sharp fight the natives were repulsed with the loss of seventy-two killed.

The Portuguese Republicans are greatly elated at the success of the Republican coup d'état in Brazil, and there are mutterings of distant thunder which are beginning to confirm the belief already expressed that something of the same nature may be attempted in this country. Portugal is about ready for a revolution, and singularly enough the conditions for it are very similar to those which existed in the South American empire a few days ago. Considerable fear exists that bloody scenes may be enacted if the Republicans make up their minds to imitate the revolutionists of Brazil.

The court is seriously alarmed and the Cabinet is much perplexed at the approaching arrival of Dom Pedro and his family. The Portuguese army is in nearly the same state of mind as the Brazilian army, and is more or less ready to forswear allegiance to the King and to set up its own President and Ministry. There have been noticeable of late frequent signs of insubordination and similar evidences of a restless desire to overturn the existing régime have been observed in the political circles of Spain among Spanish Republicans. That sort of thing will sooner or later come to a head in Portugal no one here seems to doubt, and the impetus which has been given to the growing discontent by the Brazilian revolution makes the danger to the present Government imminent.

LONDON, November 20th.
The Earl of Euston, eldest son of the Duke of Grafton, has instructed George Lewis to take criminal proceedings against Parkes, editor of the new halfpenny paper called the *North London Press* for having stated that he was one of the principals in the Cavendish-street scandal, and that he had been allowed to leave the country to defeat justice. Parkes is the proprietor of O'Connor's *Star*, and those who know him say that he would hardly make such allegations unless he believed in his ability to prove their truth. He is, however, mistaken on one point: Euston did not leave the country, though it is generally understood that he was advised to do so.

Labouchere says in *Truth* to-day: "A nobleman holding a position at court was implicated by the deposition of a postal inquiry that had taken place and by telegraph boys who would have been called as witnesses if the prisoners had not pleaded guilty. He was asked by a high court official, to explain matters and at once fled from the country. Hammond, owner of the house, has also gone abroad. Warrants were subsequently issued against them. I am further informed that the house was not let to Hammond, but to four gentlemen whose names are known and are common talk at every club. It is pretty clear that the matter cannot be allowed to rest here. Very possibly many who are suspected are innocent, and in their interest, as well as in the public interest, no effort should be spared to bring home the guilt to those really guilty."

To-day's *Pall Mall Gazette* says: "There is every probability of the whole noisome matter, with the names of those concerned, being brought into a public court and everything will turn upon the question of identity. If tried as a case of mistaken identity those witnesses called for the defense of Mr. Parkes will be liable to examination and cross-examination concerning every person whom they can swear they met at the house in question."

William Allingham, the poet, is dead.
William Allingham was born at Ballyshannon, Ireland, where his family, originally English, had been settled for many generations. After contributing to several periodicals his first volume of poems was published in 1850. He edited *Fraser's Magazine* for several years, to which he contributed many articles in prose and verse. He published several volumes of poems, the latest of which, entitled "Blackberries," appeared in 1884.

NEW YORK, November 20th.
The *Catholic News* has received a cablegram from Rome saying that the Pope had ordered that the personal and real property of new nuns who leave no surviving relatives be bequeathed to the Propaganda. Those having relatives must make a generous provision in their wills for the same institution. These and all other funds devoted to the Propaganda will be invested in foreign countries. This is to prevent the seizure of the papal revenues by the Italian Government.

ST. PETERSBURG, November 20th.
The Chinese Government has refused to grant a concession for a telegraph line from Siberia to Peking.
Fearful storms are reported on the Black sea. The Sea of Azov is blocked with ice.

LATE TELEGRAMS.

LONDON, November 18th.
A public subscription is being raised in New York to relieve the reported distress of Mrs. Parnell, the mother of the Irish Parliamentary leader.

Mrs. Parnell is an American by birth, and is the daughter of Admiral Charles Stewart, a celebrated American naval commander.

A strike has taken place amongst the nail and spike-makers in the nail-making districts of Worcestershire and Staffordshire.

The proprietors of five of the largest breweries at Burton-on-Trent, where the men engaged in malting had struck work for an advance of wages, have conceded the men's demands, and the men have resumed work.

The young Emperor of China, Kuang Hsi, declines to see the bride, selected for him by the Empress Dowager, the late Regent. It is considered that the influence of his mother upon the Emperor is waning.

Mr. F. O. Licht, the authority on beet sugar, estimates the European beet sugar production in the running campaign as 566,000 tons above the production of the previous campaign. In two months the visible supplies show an increase of 246,000 tons.

Sir Edward Ebenezer Kay, one of the Justices of the Chancery Division of the High Court of Justice, has directed that Red Cross Aid-giving Company be wound up. His Honor, in giving his decision, expressed disgust at the mining experts' reports.

In the market for pig-iron, the quotation for Glasgow warrants is 64s, and for Middlesbrough 67s. 6d.
An engineer at Glasgow has submitted to Sir Saul Samuel a new process of treating refractory ores. Experts are reporting on the process.

The latest news from Rio de Janeiro in reference to the revolution in Brazil states that the Government of the new Federal Republic presented the Emperor, Dom Pedro, on leaving for Europe, with a sum of £80,000. The Government will allow him a pension of £80,000 a year, and will continue the usual allowance to the Imperial family.

The censorship exercised over the press at Rio de Janeiro has prevented the truth as to the outbreak of the revolution from being divulged.

There is an impression, however, that the revolt was brought about by reason of the favour shown by the Imperial party towards the priesthood.

Pernambuco and Bahia have notified their adhesion to the Republic.

Further details to hand show that Marshal Fonseca corrupted the garrison and seized Rio on Thursday night last. He at once proceeded to Pedropolis, the residence of Dom Pedro, and informed the Emperor, in the presence of his family, that he had been deposed. The Emperor received the news with composure, and within an hour he was placed on board the mail steamer bound for Lisbon. A man-of-war escorted the Emperor on his departure from Rio.

Brazilian stocks in London have declined 7 per cent.

The General Steam Navigation Company and the London and Coastwise Company threaten an early suspension of the coastal trade, owing to the action of the stevedores in demanding increased rates of pay.

Mr. Tillett is organising the Hamburg dock labourers to work in union with the London men. A congress of trades unions of Great Britain will meet in January to elect a federal council.

The refusal of a dozen clerics and the foreman at the Tilbury Docks to join the union has caused another strike, in which 1600 dockers are involved. The men are taking steps to prevent outsiders from working at the Tilbury Docks.

Archbishop Croke of Cashel, has advised the Irish Tenants' League on no account to break the law.

In the German Reichstag a motion was proposed by Herr Richter to reduce the subsidy to the North German Lloyd's Company, with the view of withdrawing the steamers running between Sydney and Samoa. The motion was referred to the Budget Committee. The Government opposed it.

The *Times*, in commenting on Mr. Gillie's reply to Sir Henry Parkes, says that a little pencil might not do to deter the Premier of New South Wales from accepting Mr. Gillie's proposal to discuss the question of Australasian federation. Otherwise federation would be only a dream. The Federal Council, however, is not competent to deal with the question of common defence, when a solution might be urgently required. A federal legislature would possess sovereign or quasi-sovereign attributes.

The London and Australian Trust has been registered with a capital of £500,000.

The *Rock* denounces Bishop Keenan for his action in protesting against the election of Canon Sumner Smith as Bishop of Sydney and Plimate of Australia.

The French Chamber of Deputies assembled to-day. Mr. Tirard, in his opening speech, said that the country insists on peace, and desired a business policy instead of one of speculation. It would be necessary to abandon the question of the Constitution, and also that of the separation of the Church from the State.

The Chamber of Deputies has by a large majority rejected the proposals for the revision of the Constitution.

November 24th.
The cruiser *Blake* has been launched at Chatham and is the largest of her class afloat (her speed is twenty-two knots).

Concerts at the Lyric Theatre, November 24th.
The trial of Mousa Bey has commenced (the proceedings are public).

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CAIRO, November 25th.

News has been received that the Khalifa is collecting a force at Omdurman with the object of reinforcing the dervishes at Dongola. It is believed that the dervishes intend making a fresh invasion across the frontier to avenge their defeat at Taski. The dervishes have advanced along the Nile to a post named Surada and continue making raids into Abyssinia. They hold the greater part of the Equatorial provinces, a large force is thus available for operations elsewhere.

CHICAGO, November 25th.

The case for the defence in the Cronin murder trial was closed to-day. *Alibi* was circumstantially sworn, and several witnesses for the prosecution were recalled and shaken in cross-examination.

The case for the prosecution commenced to-day with rebutting evidence.

ST. PETERSBURG, November 25th.

M. de Lessar has been designated to the headship of the Asiatic Department of the Russian Foreign Office.

LONDON, November 25th.

A Cracow paper states that a plot has been discovered at Belgrade in favour of Prince Karageorgievich, and that three important arrests have been made in connection therewith.

The Sultan of Viti has placed a custom-house at Viti on the seaboard and is levying a duty of five per cent. on all exports and imports. Indian contractors there will lose heavily by this arrangement, and have refused to pay the duties in question. The Sultan threatens to use force unless the duties are paid.

The case of the Earl of Euston against the Editor of the *North London Press* was heard to-day.

The Earl of Euston was examined and said that a man in Piccadilly gave him a card announcing that *poses plastiques* were being held in Cleveland Street, where he went for the first and only time. The doorkeeper of the house he went to said that no *poses plastiques* were being held there, and then made certain admissible proposals, upon which the Earl of Euston left the house instantly.

Mr. Parke, the Editor of the *North London Press*, reserved his defence, and has been committed for trial, bail being accepted.

The Earl of Brownlow succeeds Lord Harris as Parliamentary Under Secretary for War.

[The Earl of Brownlow was born in 1854, and was appointed Parliamentary Secretary to the Local Government Board in 1885.]

A despatch from Lord Salisbury to Portugal absolutely repudiates the assumption by the Portuguese Government of her sovereignty over the dominion North and South of the Zambezi.

ROME, November 26th.

King Humbert yesterday in the Chamber of Deputies announced the abolition of the differential tariffs between France and Italy.

CAIRO, November 26th.
Sir Evelyn Baring and Colonel Woodhouse have arrived at Wadi Halfa, where they met with a warm reception from the natives, who lined the river banks and cheered them.

NEW YORK, November 27th.
A tremendous and most destructive fire has taken place at Lynn in Massachusetts, where a square mile of houses has been burnt including four banks and several churches. It is feared also that a number of lives has been lost in the fire and the value of the damage done is estimated at ten million dollars.

THE COMING RAILWAY.

H. E. Chang Chih-tung left his quarters in the Kinkiang Road yesterday afternoon, December 12th, for the steamer *Kiangshun*, in which he is now proceeding to his post at Wuchang. During his stay here he had several earnest discussions with the Chinese Taoist, Sheng, on the railway question, the Viceroy strongly upholding his view that the proposed railway should be built entirely with Chinese resources, the interference of foreigners being limited as much as possible. It is now stated that Mr. Sheng is to be transferred from Chefoo to a post in Hupeh, probably Hankow, where he will be specially assigned to assist the Viceroy in this railway business.

Mr. Emil Bräve, Inspector-General of Mines for the Chinese Government, was recalled from Hupeh, where he was prospecting, to meet these two officials here, and he was included in the discussions as to the possibility of the proposed railway being built without foreign financial aid. Mr. Bräve has been travelling for a long time in China, and prospecting in several provinces, at first in the North, and lately in the Yangtze valley. His observations confirm Richtofen's statements as to the great mineral wealth of the country he has seen.

The railway question is undoubtedly making progress among the high officials, and will continue to do so, and it is the preliminary steps that are the most tedious and difficult. Without foreign assistance no railway will be built, and the Chinese should console themselves with knowing that it is China that will reap the whole benefit.—*N. C. Daily News*.

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TIENTSIN.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

TIENTSIN, 30th November, 1889.

Yesterday the Fantai of the province, who has just been relieved, and the Fantai who relieved him entertained Li Hung-chang at the Chinkiang Guild to a dinner. Among the guests was Pau King-tek, the new Taoist of Pao-tung-loo. The outgoing Fantai takes charge of the Tribute Commissioner's Office, resigned by Li Hung-chang.

I enclose a map of the coal and iron ore fields at Tzechow, which has been very ably executed by a Chinese gentleman. From this you will see how rich the hills are in coal and iron. By making a railway line of 90 li the Chang river can be reached, where boats, able to carry 600 to 1000 piculs, can get at any time of the year, and from there run down with the stream into the Grand Canal, so that coal and iron from these hills can be sent into the provinces of Honan, Shantung and Kiangsi, or even to Tientsin. It is rumored that Li Hung-chang is seriously considering commencing work at Tzechow at once. These mines have been surveyed by several foreign experts, the last being Mr. Beecher, but Li would not grant the working of them at the terms offered by a foreign firm.

We are having very fine weather, and our Chinese friends are of opinion that the river will not close till the end of December.—*Shanghai Mercury*.

HONGKONG TEMPERATURE.

(From Messrs. Geo. Tate & Co.'s Register.)

To-day.
Barometer—59.8
Thermometer—60.8
Thermometer—60.8
Thermometer—60.8
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Co-day's Advertisements.

PERSEVERANCE LODGE OF HONGKONG, No. 1165.

A REGULAR MEETING of the above LODGE will be held in FREEMASONS' HALL, Zealand Street, THIS EVENING, the 16th inst., at 8.30 for 9 o'clock precisely.

Hongkong, 16th December, 1889. [1564]

FOR SHANGHAI.

THE Steamship "PEKING," Captain F. Schult, will be despatched for the above Port TO-MORROW, the 17th inst., at 4 P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to SIEMSEN & Co.

Hongkong, 16th December, 1889. [1583]

OCCIDENTAL AND ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

NOTICE. Consignees of Cargo per Steamship "OCEANIC." The above Steamship having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for Counter-signature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from along-side.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

CHAS. D. HARMAN, Agent. Hongkong, 16th December, 1889. [1]

THE PUNJON AND SUNHIE DUA SAMANTAN MINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE Fourth Ordinary Yearly MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the Company's Office, No. 9, Queen's Road, on MONDAY, the 20th inst., at 4 p.m., for the purpose of receiving a Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Account to 31st March 1889, and for the election of Directors and Auditors.

A. O'D. GOURDIN, Secretary. Hongkong, 16th December, 1889. [1584]

Co-day's Advertisements.

HONGKONG TRADING COMPANY, LIMITED. (LATE THE HALL & HOLTZ CO-OPERATIVE CO., LD. OF HONGKONG.)

Incorporated under the Companies' Ordinances of Hongkong. The liability of Shareholders to be limited to the amount of their shares.

CAPITAL \$400,000, divided into 20,000 Shares of \$20 each.

\$5 payable on application; \$5 on allotment, and the balance at call on 3 months' notice being given. No call will be made for at least 6 months.

5,000 Shares are reserved for the Vendors and their friends, and the balance (15,000) is offered to the public for subscription.

Applications for shares, accompanied by a deposit of \$5 per share, must be sent in to the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation in Hongkong, Shanghai and Coast Ports on or before the 30th day of Dec. 1889.

The Directors will, subject to the Provisions of the Articles of Association, be nominated at the Statutory Meeting of Shareholders, to be held in January, 1890.

Provisional Board: R. CHATTERTON WILCOX, ESQ. W. W. CLIFFORD, ESQ. A. E. SKEELS, ESQ.

Solicitors: MESSRS. SHARP, JOHNSON & STOKES.

Bankers: THE HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

General Manager: (pro tem.) A. E. SKEELS, ESQ.

Secretary: (pro tem.) M. H. MICHAEL, ESQ.

Offices: HONGKONG, 37 & 39, QUEEN'S ROAD. LONDON, 5 ST. BENET PLACE, E. C.

THE Hongkong Branch of THE HALL & HOLTZ CO-OPERATIVE CO., LD., has been formed in a separate Company with the above title. This business was acquired in August, 1888, as a going concern, by THE HALL & HOLTZ CO-OPERATIVE CO., LD., (the present Vendors) and has since then, under able management, progressed so satisfactorily in increasing its sales and extending the scope of its several departments, that the Vendors, although confident that further development will result in an increasingly profitable trade, find that they are unable to supply the required capital, as their Articles of Association do not permit them to borrow by way of mortgage, nor can they increase their Capital for the purposes of business in Hongkong.

The Vendors have therefore agreed to sell to the Hongkong Trading Company, Limited, the Hongkong business, in consideration of the sum of \$200,000 for the goodwill and certain advantages with regard to special agencies for the Vendors, Home buying, &c.

The Stock-in-trade, Fixtures, Household Furniture, &c., will be taken over by the Company at cost valuation (as per stock books) on December 31st, 1889, and the Book Debts (after writing off all known bad debts) will be also taken over, less a deduction of 5 per cent.

Satisfactory arrangements have been made for a much-needed enlargement and improvement of the present premises, and the refusal of a lease for 3 or 5 years at the Company's option has been secured.

The following are the principal departments, as at present carried on, viz: Household & General Stores, Wines & Spirits, Empire Brewery Products, &c.

Hall & Holtz Co's Steam (Sole Agencies). Furniture Factory. Gentlemen's Outfitting and Tailoring. Drapery, Millinery & Dressmaking. Ladies & Children's Outfitting, & Fancy Goods. Furnishing, General Upholstery, House Painting and Decorating.

It is proposed to add a Furniture Factory, and such other branches of trade as from time to time may be considered advisable.

The Vendors will bear the whole cost of the preliminary and other expenses attending the formation of the Company, up to the date of allotment.

Applications for Shares (accompanied by a deposit of \$5 per share) must be made on a printed form, and forwarded to the Company's Bankers; should no allotment be made the deposit will be returned in full, and in case the number of shares allotted is less than that applied for, the surplus deposit will be appropriated towards the sum due on allotment.

Application Forms can be obtained at the offices of the Company's Bankers in Hongkong, Shanghai, and Coast Ports.

The list will be closed in all these places on the 30th December, 1889.

If you wish to meet a friend between the hours of 8.30 p.m. and Eleven o'clock go to WOODYEAR'S ROYAL AUSTRALIAN CIRCUS.

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SEATS and BOXES can be reserved at KELLY & WALSH, LIMITED. ROBERT LOVE, General Agent. Hongkong, 16th December, 1889. [1584]

VICTORIA LODGE.

A REGULAR MEETING of the above LODGE will be held in FREEMASONS' HALL, Zealand Street, on SATURDAY, the 21st inst., at 8.30 for 9 P.M. precisely.

Hongkong, 16th December, 1889. [1585]

Insurances.

THREE IMPORTANT FACTS
ABOUT THE
STANDARD LIFE OFFICE

1.—HALF A MILLION STEERING per annum is being paid in Death claims year by year.

2.—THE FUNDS IN HAND amount to upwards of Six Million and Three-quarter pounds Sterling and have increased 50 per cent. in the last 15 years.

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THE BORNEO COMPANY, LIMITED,
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THE INDIAN IMPERIAL MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Company are prepared to accept MARINE RISKS at Current Rates.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.
Hongkong, 5th November, 1889. [1382]

FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, OF 1877
IN HAMBURG.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates.

REUTER, BROCKELMANN & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 1st July, 1889. [821]

GENERAL LIFE AND FIRE ASSURANCE COMPANY IN LONDON.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE and LIFE at Current Rates.

REUTER, BROCKELMANN & Co.,
Hongkong, 1st July, 1889. [822]

NOTICE.

THE MAN ON INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED.....\$1,000,000.

The above Company is prepared to accept MARINE RISKS at CURRENT RATES on GOODS &c. Policies granted to all Parts of the world payable at any of its Agencies.

WOO LIN YUEN
Secretary.

HEAD OFFICE,
No. 2, QUEEN'S ROAD WEST.
Hongkong, 1st February, 1889. [152]

GENERAL NOTICE.

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HEAD OFFICE, 8 & 9, PRAYA WEST.
Hongkong, 17th December, 1889. [109]

For Sale.

FOR SALE.

THE German Schooner "HANS," 123 Tons, as she is now lying in this harbour.

One ALTIQUE WINDMILL PUMP 12 feet, with all appurtenances complete.

For further information, apply to
F. BLACKHEAD & Co.
Hongkong, 5th December, 1889. [1522]

GATE & CO.,
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WALKING COSTUMES,
MILLINERY,
SILK HOSIERY,
GLOVES in all Shades.

GATE & Co.,
Queen's Road Central,
Hongkong, 27th November, 1889. [479]

FROM NEW YORK.

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FOUR
SKILFULLY POLISHED WHITE MARBLE MONUMENTS, FIRE-PLACES, MANTELPIECES, TABLES, &c., etc., of the most fashionable designs, and at very moderate prices.

THE TAI YUAN SHOP,
No. 1, Queen's Road East,
Hongkong, 14th November, 1889. [1420]

FOR SALE.

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Hongkong, 14th November, 1889. [1411]

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Opposite Martin House.
Hongkong, 14th December, 1889. [1047]

G. FALCONER & CO.,
WATCH AND CHRONOMETER MANUFACTURERS AND JEWELLERS,
NAUTICAL INSTRUMENTS,
CHARTS, MAPS, BOOKS,
No. 28, Queen's Road Central.
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Auctions.

CHRISTMAS PRESENTS.

PUBLIC AUCTION
OF
FANCY GOODS,
&c., &c., &c.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, on

SATURDAY,

the 21st December, 1889, commencing at 2.30 P.M., sharp, at his Sale-Rooms,
Duddell Street.

A LARGE SELECTION OF FANCY GOODS SUITABLE FOR CHRISTMAS PRESENTS, Comprising:—

LADIES' BAGS, CARD CASES, WRITING CASES, FANS, SILK FANHOLDERS, SCENT CASES, WORK BOXES, NEEDLES, SARRIES, FANCY GLASS WARE, GENTS' POCKET BOOKS, CIGAR CASES, CIGAR HOLDERS, MEERSCHAUM PIPES, ALBUMS, POKER SETS, PICTURES, ALBUMS, BONBON BOXES, CHRISTMAS CARDS in Pockets, LEATHER GOODS, PLUSH GOODS, TOYS, and a variety of other FANCY ARTICLES too numerous to mention. The above will be on view on FRIDAY next.

TERMS AS USUAL.—Cash on delivery.
G. R. LAMMERT,
Auctioneer.

Hongkong, 14th December, 1889. [1576]

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

MR. M. P. TALATI, having Returned to the Colony, has Resumed Charge of our Firm from this date.

E. N. MEHTA & Co.
Hongkong, 13th December, 1889. [1569]

To be Let.

TO LET.

ROOMS in "COLLEGE CHAMBERS," Apply to
DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.
Hongkong, 23rd November, 1889. [13]

TO LET.

HOUSE No. 2, "SMITH'S VILLAS" Magazine Gap, a spacious five roomed HOUSE with basement and outhouse, excellent view. Apply to
F. BLACKHEAD & Co.
Hongkong, 2nd July, 1889. [828]

TO LET.

NOS. 31 & 37, ELGIN ROAD, behind the Union Church.
Apply to
ACHEE & Co.,
17, Queen's Road Central,
Hongkong, 29th November, 1889. [1487]

Intimations.

WANTED.

A EUROPEAN to take charge of a large MESS in Hongkong.
Wages about £30 a year, with Board and Lodging.
Address, with testimonials,
K. P. S.,
c/o Hongkong Telegraph Office.
Hongkong, 14th December, 1889. [1578]

FOUND.

A WHITE BULL TERRIER BITCH, brass collar and padlock.
Apply to
35, POKFULAM ROAD.
Hongkong, 12th December, 1889. [1567]

THE HONGKONG BRICK AND CEMENT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE THIRD ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the Company's Office, Bank Buildings, Queen's Road on SATURDAY, the 28th instant, at 12 o'clock noon, for the purpose of receiving the Directors' report and Statement of Accounts for the year ended October 31st, 1889.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 17th instant to the 24th instant both days inclusive.

W. H. WALKER,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 14th December, 1889. [1579]

TO BE SOLD.

THE GOODWILL, FURNITURE and FIXINGS of that well-known Establishment, known as

THE CAMP HOTEL,
Situated on the Yangtze-poo Road, between the Settlement and the "Point."
It has a Southernly Frontage facing the Whampoo River. There is a large piece of ground between the hotel and the River, but, according to the lease, nothing can be built thereon to spoil the view. The Entrance is from the Road. There is also attached to the Hotel a fine Garden, well stocked with flowers and plants, in excellent order. The house contains four rooms upstairs and two spacious verandahs facing the river and the road. On the ground floor are two rooms, Bar and Billiard Room. There are also Kitchens, Stables and other Out-houses.

The Hotel, which is a favourite resort for foreigners, especially in the summer months, is yielding a good profit, and is in every respect a desirable investment, and with the extension and development of the Yangtze-poo Road, and the steady increase of population, will turn out a profitable concern.

The present Lease expires on the 25th June, 1892.

For further particulars, apply to
Mrs. BASSI,
CAMP HOTEL,
Shanghai, 14th November, 1889. [1574]

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB,
RACE MEETING, 1890.

HONGKONG DERBY.

SWEETSTAKES of \$20 each, half forfeit if declared on or before day of closing. Entries, with \$20 added for 1st Pony, and \$10 for 2nd. For all China Ponies born after 1st January, 1889. For all China Ponies born before 1st January, 1889. First Pony, 70 per cent. Second, 20 per cent. Third, 10 per cent. Weight 10st. 10lb. One-mile-and-a-half (Nominations close to the Clerk of the Course at the Club on SATURDAY, the 28th December, 1889.

E. H. GORE-BOOTH,
Clerk of the Course.

Hongkong, 17th December, 1889. [1575]

STEAMERS EXPECTED IN HONGKONG.

STEAMERS	FROM	DATE DUE	AGENTS
Catterthun	Port Darwin	December 16th	Russell & Co.
Moray	Calcutta	December 16th	Jardine, Matheson & Co.
Merionethshire	London	December 16th	Adamson, Bell & Co.
Prometheus	Liverpool	December 16th	Butterfield & Swire
Euphrates	Marseilles	December 17th	Russell & Co.
Electra	Hamburg	December 17th	Messageries Maritimes
Teheran	Bombay	December 21st	Siemssen & Co.
		December 31st	P. & O. S. N. Co.

STEAMERS LOADING IN HONGKONG.

DESTINATION	VESSELS	AGENTS	DATE OF LEAVING
London, &c., via Suez Canal	Thames	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Dec. 18th, at noon.
London, via Suez Canal	Arabic	Butterfield & Swire	To-morrow.
London, via Suez Canal	Jason	P. & O. S. N. Co.	December 18th.
London (direct)	Hongkong	Adamson, Bell & Co.	December 21st.
London, Hamburg &c.	Pembroke	Siemssen & Co.	About Dec. 25th.
London, &c.	Montmouthshire	Adamson, Bell & Co.	December 20th.
Havre & Hamburg, &c.	Aglaia	Siemssen & Co.	Dec. 23rd, at 10 a.m.
Marseilles, via Saigon, &c.	Conqueror	Messageries Maritimes	Dec. 23rd, at noon.
Bremen, via Ports of Call.	Pathan	Melchers & Co.	Dec. 23rd, at 10 a.m.
New York	Oceanic	Adamson, Bell & Co.	About Dec. 26th.
San Francisco, via Ythama	City of Rio de Janeiro	O. & O. S. S. Co.	Dec. 28th, at 1 p.m.
Port Darwin, &c.	Chingtu	Pacific Mail S. S. Co.	Jan. 9th, at 1 p.m.
Straits and Bombay	Khiva	Butterfield & Swire	Dec. 20th, at 4 p.m.
Singapore, Batavia, &c.	Flintshire	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Dec. 20th, at noon.
Sandakan, Kudat, &c.	Goa	Butterfield & Swire	Dec. 23rd, at noon.
Singapore, &c.	Verona	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	About Dec. 16th.
Nagasaki, Kobe, &c.	Merionethshire	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Dec. 20th, daylight.
Shanghai, via Amoy	Sikh	Adamson, Bell & Co.	December 20th.
Shanghai, via Amoy	Prometheus	Butterfield & Swire	Quick despatch.
Shanghai, via Amoy	Sin Nansing	Siemssen & Co.	To-morrow, at 4 p.m.
Manila, via Amoy	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Douglas Laprak & Co.	Dec. 18th, at noon.
Swatow, Amoy, &c.	Thales	Hop Hing Hong	Dec. 17th, daylight.
Swatow	Pakshan		To-morrow, daylight.

Intimations.

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STEAM LAUNCH COMPANY, LIMITED.
Hongkong, 1st May, 1889. [42]

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Hongkong, 20th May, 1889. [429]



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Hongkong, 21st January, 1889. [114]

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L. MALLORY,
Hongkong, 24th June, 1889. [173]

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Hongkong, 2nd September, 1889. [1502]

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Intimations.

THE HONGKONG HIGH LEVEL TRAMWAYS COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE FIFTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held in the Hongkong Hotel, on SATURDAY, the 21st instant, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, and Statement of Account for the year ended 30th November, 1889.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 8th to 21st instant, both days inclusive.

MACEWEN, FRICKEL & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 6th December, 1889. [1528]

HONGKONG AND CHINA GAS COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the above Company will be CLOSED from the 2nd inst. to the 1st day of January, 1890, both days inclusive.

F. W. CROSS,
Manager.
Hongkong, 2nd December, 1889. [1508]

HONGKONG CRICKET CLUB.

GENTLEMEN desirous of playing in the Match, SCOTLAND v. THE WORLD proposed for 26th, 27th, and 28th December next, will kindly Sign their names on the Notice lying in the Hongkong Club and the Cricket Pavilion.

ARTHUR K. TRAVERS,
Hon. Secretary.
Hongkong, 15th November, 1889. [1424]

CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 18th to the 31st instant, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Agents,
Canton Insurance Office, Limited.
Hongkong, 10th December, 1889. [1549]

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SCHEELE & Co.,
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No. 16, Stanley Street.
Hongkong, 2nd December, 1889. [1510]